

COST SHARE AGREEMENT
Between the
USDA FOREST SERVICE, LEWIS & CLARK NATIONAL FOREST
And the
DNRC, STATE OF MONTANA, CENTRAL LAND OFFICE

The purpose of this agreement is to provide for a coordinated cooperative fire suppression operation on this fire and to describe the cost division. Following is the cost share agreement between the agencies identified above as negotiated for the following incident in accordance with the **Statewide Cooperative Fire Protection Agreement #05-FI-11015600-014** executed between the parties on 3/10/05.

Incident Name: Little Wolf & Novak IMT Costs

Estimated Size: Little Wolf Creek – approximately 548 acres
Novak – approximately 1,742 acres

Incident Start Date and Time: Little Wolf Creek – July 18, 2007 1300 hrs
Novak – July 18, 2007 1100 hrs

Jurisdictions: Cascade County (State and Private), Lewis and Clark County (State and Private)

Incident Cause: Lightning

Incident Numbers by Agency:

Agency	Fire #	FS Accounting Code/DNRC Accounting Code
Little Wolf	MT-CES-000052	PNDR4F / 57013
Novak	MT-CES-000051	PNDR4H / 87001

Cost Share Period: This agreement becomes effective on the date indicated below and will remain in effect until amended or terminated.

State date/time: July 21, 2007, 0700

End date/time:

Command Structure: Overall direction of this incident will be by () **Unified Command**, or by (X) **Single Command** structure.

Principal Contacts. The following personnel are the principal contacts:

Position	Name	Agency
Incident Commander	Wally Bennett	MT-DNRC
Agency Administrative Rep. (FS)	Paula Plymale	FS-AD
Agency Administrative Rep. (DNRC)	Garry Williams	MT-DNRC
Incident Business Advisor (DNRC)	Sue Clark	MT-DNRC

Agency representatives participating in the development of this cost share agreement:

Forest Service:

Name: Jane Haker

Title: Incident Admin Coordinator, R1

State of MT:

Name: Pam Okon

Title: Incident Business Specialist - DNRC

Structural Protection:

N/A

Special Management Operational Conditions: This cost share agreement between the parties was prepared under the following guidelines

1. Upon agreement, Wally Bennett's Type I IMT will manage the DNRC incidents Little Wolf and Novak, along with their original assignment of the Forest Service's Ahorn Fire and subsequent assignment of the Meriweather Fire.

Basis or Rationale for Cost Share:

1. Department of Natural Resources and Conservation is through the Cascade County Assist Request (Montana State/County Coop Agreements) and Lewis & Clark County (State and Private)
2. Management of the Little Wolf Creek and Novak fires was assigned to a Type I Incident Management Team (IC Bennett) under a Delegation of Authority and WFSA prepared by the Central Land Office.
3. Salary for the IMT and BUYT will not be shared under this agreement as the IMT and BUYT will charge hours as appropriate to the fire where the work is performed. The State of Montana had a BUYT for their supplies operating out of Helena.
4. Incident Command Post expenses; such as rent, utilities, telephone, supplies; will not be shared between the two protection agencies because the State of Montana had their own base camp. No additional costs were incurred at Augusta.

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